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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Ap	oplication of:)	
		:	Examiner: K. Ramsey
HIDEHIKO FUJIMURA, ET AL.)	
		:	Group Art Unit: 2879
Application No.: 09/309,766)	
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Filed:	May 11, 1999)	
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For:	METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING)	February 8, 2001
	AIRTIGHT VESSEL AND	:	
	IMAGE-FORMING APPARATUS)	
	USING AIRTIGHT VESSEL	:	

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 8, 2000, the Examiner is respectfully requested to amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claims 1, 4, 13 and 23 as follows:

1. (Amended) method for manufacturing an

airtight vessel, comprising the steps of:

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